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THE TWENTIETH CENTURY LIMITED SPECIAL SESSION FAILED TO JUSTIFY ITS EXISTENCE AND IS ALL OVER BUT QUITTING. THE GOVERNOR'S PET RUM MEASURE GOT PASSED DOWN TO THE REGIONS FROM WHENCE IT CAME.

The Citizen is divulging no secret when it states that we have had an extraordinary session of the Legislature, that it has met, thoughtfully and prayerfully, considered the extraordinary measures which are supposed to have made such a session necessary and is all through but quitting. The circumstances which led up to this extraordinary session are too fresh on the pages of Maine history to need reviewing. We all remember that despite the fact that everybody knew a few hours after our special election last September that the people of Maine had voted the liquor crowd down by about 800 votes, yet the State officials withheld their admission of a defeat of the wet forces, and the newspaper organs that had joined in the fight for a wet victory claimed on technical grounds that the same had been won by about half a hundred plurality. They well remember that after several weeks of deliberation the chief executive of the State announced the result of the findings of the executive council to the effect that Maine had voted dry by a small plurality, and they will remember too that on that same day he announced his intention of calling a special session of the Legislature in order that the matter might again be resubmitted to the people.

The same and sensible people of the State of Maine, not only in the Republican party but in the Democratic party as well, were opposed to such a procedure. While there were a few minor matters suggested for consideration at this session everybody knew that the liquor question was the predominant issue, the one for which the session was called and the only one that had influenced its calling. The question had been resubmitted, the people had spoken and the rank and file of the Democratic party were content to let the matter rest on the people's verdict. Governor Plaisted and his advisers, however, had become possessed of a feeling that they would be able to overturn the people's verdict in a second fight, if a second fight they perchance could gain.

There was that persistency on the part of the management which admitted of nothing on the part of the rank and file but to fall in line, and while there has been a rebelling force grating upon their consciences concerning this ill-advised procedure, yet this was smothered and the party went on to its great convention apparently oblivious of the trouble within, swallowed the special session and joined enthusiastically in adopting an out and out license platform for the coming campaign.

The next day saw the dawning of that one extraordinary occasion during the memory of most of us in the State of Maine, when matters of such grave importance were knocking at the doors of the State and demanding council of the Legislature as to make it necessary for the Governor to call a special session of the Legislature.

The first upon the program was naturally the Governor's address. Space will not permit us to use it completely and it is not necessary. One of the particular features, and doubtless the most satisfactory to the Legislature, was the glowing tribute which he paid to them on the wonderful things that they did when they were there one year ago with their working clothes on. He reminded them that it was not the case of anything that they did do or anything that they did not do that he had called them together again, but to simply do one of the things that they did do over again, and whether the session costs \$1,000 or \$10,000, it certainly has been well spent when we consider that the Governor has had the chance to tell his own people what these two hundred men what a dandy job they did for the State of Maine.

The question of State debts was also taken up and the local propositions, the pros and cons of which are familiar to our readers, was submitted to them. Then came the question of the revision of the election laws, and they were

reminded that the closeness of the last special election had opened people's eyes to the necessity of the revision of the election laws. Then came the last but not the least of the extraordinary propositions which had made that convening of such extraordinary necessity, and what do you suppose it was? Well, it was the liquor question, and an earnest appeal was made for them to again resubmit the question of our prohibitory amendment to the people in order that it might next time be settled in such a way as to admit a license law in the cities and in the country towns if the towns so desire.

It was apparent from the start that there was not the enthusiasm on the part of the Legislature, even of those of the Governor's political faith, that he had anticipated and hoped for. There seemed to be a feeling in the atmosphere that read something to the effect, "It is all nonsense our being here and we will wind this force up and get home just as quick as possible."

The party caucuses Wednesday night resulted in the voting by the Democrats to sustain the measures advocated by the Governor, and by the Republicans to oppose the Democratic resolution program. The Republican caucus also voted not to take any action on the other measures until the measures themselves were up for consideration in written form. Both caucuses were favorable to a special rule of procedure excluding any business other than that recommended in the Governor's address except by unanimous consent, and the Senate and House ratified that idea on Thursday morning.

There was a fourth matter for consideration at the special session—the reorganization of the State for congressional elections. The work was done by transferring Washington county from the fourth district to the third. The first district is unchanged—York and Cumberland counties—and has been unchanged since 1861. The second district is unchanged—Franklin, Oxford, Androscoggin, Sagadahoc, Lincoln and Knox counties—and has been unchanged since 1882. The third and fourth districts receive their first changes since 1883. The new third consists of Somerset, Kennebec, Waldo, Hancock and Washington counties—a whole of a district stretching across the State from Quebec to the Bay of Fundy. The new fourth comprises Piscataquis, Penobscot and Acadia counties. The first and third are reckoned as fighting ground, the second as normally Democratic and the fourth as normally Republican. This reorganization was not made the subject of debate, and after the Democrats settled how to even up the population of the third and fourth the rest was a mere formality. The debate was on three topics only.

The special session passed the reorganization bill and two others—the bill for a constitutional amendment for a \$1,000,000 State bond issue for State road work, and for a new election law. The constitutional amendment is proposed because the constitution now forbids borrowing more than \$200,000 except for purposes of war. The need of good roads is undisputed, but the advisability of such a large State debt was seriously doubted by many. Not all alike agreed that it should be put up to the people, and we will vote on a constitutional amendment next September.

Wednesday, the opening day, was devoted to reading the bills not being introduced until Thursday morning. The session of the evening came. Thursday evening, when the Portland Express announced the discovery of a "joker" in the local option constitutional amendment bill, which had been introduced by Senator Staples of Kennebec county. That joker provided for the voting in favor of allowing the trade in a town or city, but not for the vote.

GOULD'S ACADEMY ENDOWMENT FUND.

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Agnes Hutchins,	1.00
Ola Hutchins,	1.00
Ada Everett,	1.00
Helen Spencer,	1.00
Margaret Chase Herrick,	2.00
Judge A. E. Herrick,	100.00
Mr. and Mrs. H. Hill,	100.00
Mr. A. C. Bartlett,	500.00
In five annual payments of \$100 each.	
Total,	\$4,872.00

AN APPEAL FOR THE ENDOWMENT FUND.

Gould's Academy Students: What does your diploma mean to you? Let the world answer for you. It is a mark of recognition that here is a young man or woman who has completed a course of study in a school of high standing, and that the owner of this diploma possesses a good moral character.

Where is it of use? Apply for a desirable situation and see the change in the employer's expression when you present this diploma as a letter of introduction and recommendation.

When will it cease to be a help? When Gould's Academy, for lack of an Endowment Fund, closes its doors, or sinks into its present rank among the first in the State to the obscurity of a third rate institution. Students, this is your affair. Your interests are vitally concerned!

Parents, your children are to receive great good or know its lack from the way this need is met!

In some of the great American schools for boys, a son's name, as a birth, is enrolled upon the school's roll, that his place may be secured for him.

Already one father in Bethel has secured his fine little son's right to an education in an endowed school by subscribing \$100 to his name.

Five little dollars multiplied by ten wise parents make fifty dollars.

You far-seeing grandfathers can make five hundred dollars out of fifty in five years, at compound interest, the Endowment Fund will rest just as much more safely upon solid rock.

The "Students' List," already started, needs careful help.

Let the moving picture show cars away fewer dollars for last one month on one year, and the dollar subscription is filled by our students, who will feel that their names are where they should be—on an honor roll!

Surely we cannot expect others to be enthusiastic about us, if we are indifferent. Give your others an uplift of courage for you by seeing your names on next week's list.

If the dollar is not quite ready, five cents helps make one, and four quarters make a very nice dollar.

Fill up that list, somehow, people of old Gould's. You will be glad to see your names on the list, which is to be preserved, when in coming years each all come back to Bethel as distinguished alumni of the Alma Mater you helped to save.

NOTICE. The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Clements Abbott late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are directed to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereon are requested to make payment immediately.

CHARLOTTE A. MERRILL.
March 19, 1912.
1912.

INTERESTING LECTURE AT RUMFORD, MAR. 26.

At the rooms of the Business Men's Club Monday evening a most enjoyable lecture was given on Dalmatia by Miss Margaret Bolles of Tufts College. This lecture was given under the auspices of the Searchlight Club and the proceeds were to go towards paying the sum which they have pledged for the installation of domestic science in the high school.

Miss Bolles was a very charming speaker and was dressed in the queer Dalmatian costume which was most interesting to observe, wearing the small round cap and rawhide shoes laced together with the twine, besides a very fetching jacket of pale blue and a skirt of scarlet. While on her finger she wore a wedding ring such as is worn by the Dalmatian girls and it certainly made up in size what it lacked in beauty, for it was immense and covered nearly one-third of her hand.

The stereopticon views were most interesting especially as all of them were taken by Miss Bolles herself on her trip. The principle thing which she emphasized about the people was that the women did nearly all of the hard work and the men the easier part. Her description of the many different classes of people of the east and the west was certainly very instructive as well as entertaining, and the delightful sunsets which her camera showed were artistic in the extreme.

Everyone went away with a sympathy and an interest in a people who have been under so many different rules before coming at last under the Austrian yoke. They can not help but be widely different in their dress and customs so many are descendants from one race and another. The Turks add a very picturesque type to the many others.

The Club rooms were well filled and the audience showed by the minute attention which they paid that they were intensely interested.

LECTURE MUCH ENJOYED AT BETHEL, THURSDAY.

The lecture given by Prof. Hartmann of Bates College was thoroughly enjoyed by the fairly good sized audience which assembled at the Universalist church on Thursday evening.

The topic, "Victorian Literature," was especially interesting to the members of the Columbian Club, it having been their study for the past two years, but presented as it was by Prof. Hartmann, it proved to be of interest to all, and the students who were present must have gained many points in regard to the study of literature.

The Club congratulates itself on the success of the two lectures given this season and if an inspiration for good reading and high thinking has been aroused we may venture to try a course of lectures at some future time.

A SURPRISE DINNER IN CAMP.

Great credit is due Mrs. T. W. Vastano and her sister, Miss Archibald, for the St. Patrick dinner which they cooked and served in Mr. Vastano's camp in Gratton on the 17th of March, which came on Sunday.

The camp dining room was very prettily decorated with green and white chains which were made of crepe paper and green boughs, green and white napkins being made in the shape of the Pope's tiara and a row of green buttons on each plate, plates being laid for fifty. The tables were covered with all the good things of a first class hotel.

The following was the bill of fare: boiled potatoes, roast spare rib, corn, peas, oysters, mashed turnips, raisin bread and hot biscuits, butter, pickles, eating, steamed fruit pudding, apple, mince and lemon pie, four kinds of cake, four kinds of cookies, plain and sugared doughnuts, tea and coffee.

It is not the custom of the boys to talk in the dining room, but when they entered the door Mr. Vastano greeted them with the large green necktie and said, "Boys, the girls have done all of this for your benefit, so you may talk and enjoy this all you can," and if ever there was a good time it was in this camp.

At the end of the dinner hour Miss Archibald presented the host, T. W. Vastano, with a large cake covered with the shamrock, in which he responded with many thanks.

Mr. Vastano will be at home the middle of this week.

PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST AT RUMFORD.

On Friday evening at the Baptist church the annual prize speaking contest between Rumford, Mexico and Dixfield occurred. There were eight contestants for the honors, three from Rumford, three from Mexico and two from Dixfield.

As it is remembered probably by most of you the prizes consist of three cups which were given by Hon. Hugh J. Chisholm, of silver, the first being a large loving cup, and the other two being smaller. These cups are kept in the school which wins them until the next year. After having been won three consecutive years by any one school they become the property of that school to keep. Besides these cups the individuals winning the prizes are given medals, the first prize received a gold medal and the second a silver one and the third a bronze. Last year Dixfield won the first prize and Rumford the remaining two.

At a little after eight the exercises opened with a violin solo by Harry Cohen, one of the high school pupils, and a most promising musician. This was followed by the speaking:

Gratton's Reply to Mr. Harry, Freeman B. Smith, Dixfield. "Garrett's Ride and Death." Mildred Wheel, Rumford. The King of Bayville, Gladys Waterhouse, Rumford. Vocal solo, Beatrice Hamilton. The Unknown Speaker, Earl E. Crommett, Mexico.

The Legend of the Fleur-de-Lis, Alice Paul, Mexico. Absolution, Merna M. Thomas, Mexico. Vocal Solo, Jean Mair. The Rider of the Black Horse, Robert Ladd, Rumford. The Confessional, Alice Thomas, Mexico.

Violin Solo, Martha Swain. The Judges were Prof. G. M. Robinson and Prof. W. B. Mitchell of Dixfield and Miss Maude Andrews. After about five minutes, during which the judges consulted together, Prof. Mitchell announced the prizes, Earl Crommett of Mexico as winner of the first, Gladys Waterhouse of Rumford second and Miss Mildred Wheel of Rumford third, with honorable mention of Robert Ladd. This leaves Rumford in possession of the same two cups which were hers last year; one year more and they will become ours permanently. The speakers all showed good ability and a lot of training. All three towns have cause to feel proud of their schools and the painstaking work which their scholars put into their school work.

SURPRISE PARTY AT BETHEL.

On the evening of March 26, a surprise party was given to Miss Vera Holt by the W. R. C. ladies; and in behalf of the Corps, Mrs. Levi Bartlett presented Miss Holt with an emblem pin, to show their appreciation of her loyalty as Secretary of the Corps, the office which she has so faithfully filled.

A very enjoyable evening was spent by all present, but owing to the inclement weather many could not attend. All enjoyed music and a social chat. Refreshments of coffee, cake, candy and nuts were served. All departed wishing their hostess many pleasant evenings with the Corps members.

LOW PRICES, EASY TERMS ON THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY.

Elm street, Bethel, house arranged for two families, mostly hardwood floors, fire place, city water, oil, stable, barn house, large garden, and some fruit trees; known as the Martin Stone ell house.

Also on Paradise Road about 25 acres of tillage and spring watered pasture, tillage land in good condition with splendid young orchard of about 60 high grade fruit trees; next lot to new water reservoir.

Also on High street, cottage house of eight rooms, stable, water in cistern, large double lot with some fruit trees. For particulars address

INA M. ALLEN, 238 Congress St., Portland, Maine, 04101.

Mr. George H. Curtis of Lewiston has gone to town for another car load of berries.

WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—1 line 1 week, 25c. 3 weeks 50c.

FOR SALE.

The well-known Gilman P. Bean farm including all timber lands as a part of the same is now upon the market. This farm is located between Bethel Village and West Bethel and has upon it a large amount of pine and pulp timber as well as other growth. The timber lot on this farm is one of the best and most desirable in this section. Many have asked if the farm was to be sold and this notice is to call attention to the fact that it is now on the market. For description of farm, price and full particulars, address or see the undersigned. (MRS.) ABBIE G. BEAN, Bethel, N. H., Lock Box 247. or application may be made to HERRICK & PARK, Bethel, Me.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

The agent for Ziegler's Non-Alcoholic flavors, food colors and perfumes will be at the Methodist Parsonage, Main St., Bethel, Maine. 2-15-11.

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All their troubles can be cured or helped by using the following remedies, Cow Relief, Cow Tone, Calf Cordial, Cow Cure, Garget Cure, Hess' Stock Food, Etc. YOUNG'S, Bethel Me.

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FARM FOR SALE.

I have just sold the Myerson Farm and the man who bought it got a bargain.

NOW, the next farm I am going to sell is the Edward S. Smith farm and it is another bargain. Fine young orchard with some 400 to 500 trees just beginning to bear. House is excellent repair, with furnace in cellar, some hard wood floors, running water, very convenient. Long line of fine poultry houses arranged for the carrying on of an extensive poultry and egg business. Standing hay on the farm was sold last season for \$130. Small fruit also. Good pasture of some 30 acres. Nicely situated half-way between Bethel and West Bethel villages. I have asked \$4,000 for it and it is worth that sum, but I am going to cut that price some and anyone who is seeking one of the best farm opportunities in the State should see me. ELLERY C. PARK, Executor. Bethel Me.

RENT WANTED.

WANTED.—At once, a good comfortable and convenient rent for a small family in Bethel village. Will lease the right place for a term of years. Inquire of R. C. BOWLER, Bethel, Maine.

WANTED—to buy a second hand piano.

Address E. care of Citizen, Bethel, Me.

NURSES WANTED.

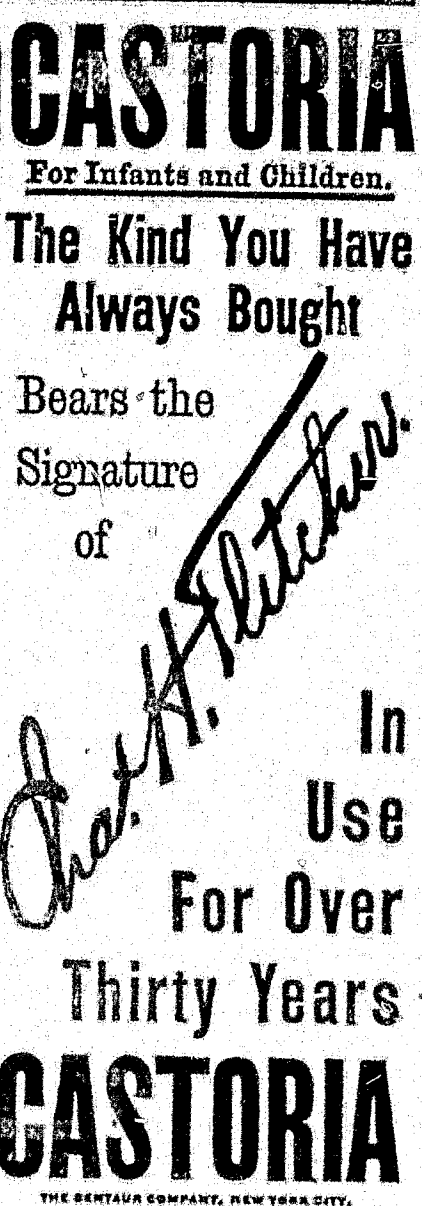
A new ward has been opened at the Children's Hospital, 74 Portland, and more nurses are needed. A new class is being started now. Applications must be sent in at once to Sept. of Nurses. 3-23-11—H.

Many sufferers from rheumatism have been surprised and delighted with the prompt relief afforded by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Not one case of rheumatism is ten requires any internal treatment whatever. This liniment is for sale by W. B. Besserman, 27 Pine.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 1912.

A few more speeches like May-
or Hanson's in the Senate last
week and the receding democra-
tic wave will assume mountain
high proportions.The people of Maine will pass
judgment on Extraordinary
Fred's extraordinary force
in September. Wonder if there
will be a special session called to
renew their verdict to them for
further consideration!Did you hear about Sheriff
Emery? You are he lost his head
over the run question. Suppos-
ing some Secretary of State should
lose his over the same question!
You know they sometimes get in-
terested over such things. Better
keep your ballots in home folders.We've had a special session of
the legislature; first one in 51
years. Then things don't come
often when extraordinary oc-
currences demand immediate at-
tention. That's now; Extraordinary
Fred says so, and if you don't be-
lieve it ask Fred or Ty Davis.Had Governor Plaisted called
a special session of the legislature
to force the sheriffs and county
attorneys who are violating their
oaths of office into honest action
or surrender he would have been
justified. But as to this force?
Well, we haven't heard of anyone
outside the political ring attempt-
ing to justify it.Have you noticed that while
Fred and Extraordinary Fred
were very vigorously declaring
at the Democratic convention in
August that the prohibitory law
cannot be enforced, they were
pleading and one exceptionally
bold Waterville constable were
arresting on less than a rag end of
proof from a rumrunner in Mayor
Plaistead's bar?Nearly 200 towns in the State
of Maine have formed unions for
expert school supervision under
the comparatively new State law.
These towns were slow about im-
plementing the law because State
schools but at present there is
scarcely a town in Maine that
does not take advantage of the
State aid that is available. The
towns that have not taken advan-
tage of the expert supervision
law should realize that an invalu-
able opportunity is being con-
sidered. Bethel is one of these towns.
We should form a union with
some one or more adjoining towns
and secure a superintendent who
will give his entire time to the
schools. May this not be our next
step forward?

POLITICS VS. PRINCIPLE.

In connection with the rum
question before the legislature
last week, Senator Mayo, a Demo-
crat, is reported as saying that he
should vote "yes" against his
conscience, that he should do so
because the constituents stood for
him. He said that to vote for it
would be voting against his prin-
ciple but he should do so in view
of the fact that he was a candi-
date for reelection. If this isn't
a case of subordinating principle
for greed of office, what is it?There was another Democrat in
the Senate of a different type, in
the person of Senator Madison of
Kennebec. He voted "yes" with
the Republicans and gave for a
reason that he couldn't follow

LEST YOU FORGET.

Taxes are too high. We must spend less of the people's money.
The direct State tax must not be increased.
The above is quoted from Governor Plaisted's inaugural ad-
dress.We give below the direct State tax for the last two
years of Republican administration and the two years of
Democratic administration. These figures are from the
State's books and speak for themselves.DEMOCRATIC ADMINISTRATION.
State tax for 1911, \$2,712,641.88
State tax for 1912, 1,809,081.05

Total for two years, \$4,521,722.93

REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION.
State tax for 1909, \$1,280,651.55
State tax for 1910, 2,143,160.47

Total for two years, \$3,423,812.02

Increase in Democratic term, \$1,091,915.52

It will be observed that there has been \$1,091,915.
52 more taken from the pockets of the people of Maine
as a direct tax during the two years of Democratic ad-
ministration than during the previous two years of Re-
publican administration.AND THIS ISN'T ALL. THERE ARE LOTS OF INTERESTING
THINGS CONCERNING THE QUESTION OF STATE FINAN-
CES.

WE'LL GIVE THEM LATER.

The Democratic party to license
clerks and other officials in most
of the towns of Maine is a pack
of fools, and that the only safety
of the State rests in getting the
ballot boxes out of their hands as
soon as possible.
We have yet to learn where the
State has ever suffered because
of the ballots remaining with the
local officials or where any fraud
has been perpetrated by the town
clerks of Maine in connection
with the ballots, and there is no
legitimate reason why the ballots
should be extracted from their
care until all interested parties
have had proper chance under
proper conditions to make inspec-
tions in case of contests.
The 500 and more town clerks
in Maine, enjoying the confidence
of the people, through whose sur-
frage they hold their offices,
should react this implication that
they cannot be trusted to care for
the ballots of their fellow town-
men, as read in said section six
and made by Democratic legisla-
tors upon the floor of the house
during the special session.
In the words of the self styled
apostle of the people, the veter-
an senator from Knox, "oh, consist-
ency thou art a jewel!" Let us
trust the people.

"HONEST BILL."

The Waterville Sentinel said
last week the Citizen used its
best week in presenting a
corking good "campaign cry,"
when it characterized the Hon.
Wm. T. Hanson as "Honest Bill."
The Sentinel topped its campaign
for slogans that might be adopt-
ed by the supporters of the other
Republican candidates but could
not mention that could come
within three blocks and a street
of the Citizen's "Honest Bill."
After wavering with "Honest
Bill" and "Honest Al" in behalf
of Mr. Shaw and "Colonel Fred-
dy" for the Bethel forces the
Sentinel says:A review of the situation shows
clearly that as a campaign slogan there
are possibilities in the case of Fred-
dy being elected to the office of
Governor. It is therefore clear
that the effect of the "Honest Bill"
is a long tap on the Republican consti-
tuent by changing it up for "Honest
Bill."Our brother editor, having been
so kind as to set his seal of ap-
proval on our slogan, as well as
to generously contribute much
brain-racking thought in a vain
attempt to supply one for the oth-
er Republican candidates, that
would be at all in a competitive
class with ours, our principles of
reciprocity but as our brain
again and suggest, if possible, a
campaign cry for our contem-
porary and its party that should
run as true as does our "Honest
Bill." How's that "Extraordi-
nary Fred"? (Mother new for the
ballot box!)

TRUST THE TOWN CLERKS.

The Democratic slogan in its
rambling (as their own men in
legislature assembled have char-
acterized the local option ques-
tion has been, "let the people
rule." But during the debate on
section six of the ballot law, con-
cerning the shipping of ballot
boxes down to the Secretary of
State within 24 hours after the
closing of the polls, there was a
considerable discussion from the
people. The would later from
the arguments by some of our
Democratic friends that the townclerks and other officials in most
of the towns of Maine is a pack
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THOSE BALLOT BOXES.

The extra session of the leg-
islature is almost a thing of the
past. They came, they saw, they
did practically nothing, because
there was practically nothing to
do. The Governor's chief purpose
in calling them together was to
conduct through a license-legis-
lation amendment and thus tap
the reservoirs of the brewers'
and distillers' and turn a tide of
rum into our State sufficient to
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culated that this is a device
devised to control our
Republican Government.There is never a general elec-
tion that does not result in a
close vote in every town of
the State and it is necessary
for a contest. Under this law
however such a contest is de-
clined, it will be necessary for theinterested parties with their at-
torneys to bear the unnecessary
expense of going to Augusta to
make such recount; and, this to
people in sections of the State re-
mote from Augusta will be no
small item.The chief objection, however,
to this new law is the making the
Secretary of State and his clerk
the sole custodians of the ballot
boxes. This is not intended to cast
any reflections on our present Sec-
retary of State, but we submit
that it is an unwise procedure to
place the ballot boxes of the en-
tire State in the hands of the Sec-
retary of State whoever he may
be. We have had attempted count-
outs in the past, we have had
sheriffs, Republicans and Demo-
crats, who have violated their
oaths of office and been wretched
failures, we have had politicians
rather than statesmen fill offices
of public trust to such a degree
that it is quite a common thing
to accuse officers of dishonesty,
and of playing politics. We have
had close elections in the past and
will have close elections in the fu-
ture, and the people of the State
of Maine, remembering that even
public officials are human and
subject to error, will be placing
unnecessary temptation before
and possibly unwarranted confi-
dence in this official when they
make him custodian of the ballot
boxes and their contents after a
close and hard fought campaign.We are expressing no particular
heart aches because of the politi-
cal blunders that have been made
by the present administration but
we certainly can detect where
this piece of legislation is just as
ill-advised as was the attempt to
force another license campaign
upon the citizens of Maine, and
they can hardly expect to get
through the 1912 campaign with-
out having it hurled at them over
and over again that this law, re-
quiring the ballot boxes to be
shipped to Augusta forthwith
after the election, was done for
a purpose, and this bit of legisla-
tion may yet prove a white ele-
phant on the hands of the admin-
istration when it goes out to get
votes. Unkind charges and in-
sultations have no place in the
politics of a civilized community,
state or nation, but given the
chance they will always creep in
to the heated political campaign.
The politician and his agents will
improve every opportunity to
charge fraud and crime where op-
portunity permits, and the high
officials of our State should not
be placed in a position to be ac-
cused of attempting to defeat the
will of the electorate by tamper-
ing with the ballots; neither
should we all be placed in the po-
sition of having our rights denied
and our wills as expressed by our
ballots defeated, by designing
politicians who may perchance
unfortunately fill that high po-
sition of Secretary of State; and
the people of Maine should see to
it that this piece of unwise legisla-
tion be nipped in the bud and dis-
posed of before it ever finds a
place upon our statutes.This brings up the question of
the referendum hinted at in an-
other column of this issue.
Prompt action should be taken
on the part of the people to have
this referred to the voters at the
September election for settlement.
The Citizen is intensely interest-
ed in the matter, not from a po-
litical standpoint but because
there is nothing commendable
about the provision and several
serious objections, two of which
have been set forth in the above,
and we earnestly invite any of our
readers who have any convictions
concerning the matter to com-
municate with us, not necessarily
for publication, but that we may
know how they feel concerning
the matter and whether or not
they want this legislation to
stand. This is the people's busi-
ness.The extra session of the leg-
islature is almost a thing of the
past. They came, they saw, they
did practically nothing, because
there was practically nothing to
do. The Governor's chief purpose
in calling them together was to
conduct through a license-legis-
lation amendment and thus tap
the reservoirs of the brewers'
and distillers' and turn a tide of
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As a Spring Medicine
Hood's is King"For all the troubles I have had Hood's Sarsa-
parilla surely is the king. I have taken it at different
times in the past three years when I have suffered
from catarrh and stomach troubles, and have always
found it a grand medicine. My stomach is very
much better than it was, and as a spring medicine,
too, I know that no one can do any better than to
take Hood's Sarsaparilla. My husband and I have
reason to recommend it cordially." Mrs. R. E.
Plummer, 387 Union Ave., Laconia, N. H.ness and we hope to hear from
them. What sayest thou Oxford
County, will you keep your bal-
lots here among the bears or send
them down to Cyrus?ECHOES FROM OTHER
VOICES.The Colonel's hat was in the ring,
But where hats wouldn't do;
So Teddy, while making his rounds,
(Checked in his pajamas, too,
—Kennebec Journal.When that eminently respectable
Aroostook weekly (Ashland Gazette),
demands to know, in large black type
extending across four columns on the
first page: "Is there a volcano in
northern Maine?" we are disposed to
take the matter seriously. If it isn't
a volcano making that strange noise,
what is it?—Waterville Sentinel.
Maybe it is "that Parkhurst man"
bellowing because the beer trust's spe-
cial session blew up.—Kennebec Jour-
nal.Speaking of the recall, Taft men in
Maine would be unanimous in its
favor if it could be applied to the
Colonel.—Waterville Sentinel.Great Snakes! Have you looked on
the map at the proposed Third Dis-
trict?—Bath Times.One week ago Friday there was an
earthquake down on the Penobscot
shores. This Friday there was one at
Augusta. But the two tremors report-
ed down east were not comparable with
the agitation reported at the Capital,
which may end in fatal eruptions and
the disruption of the democracy. Let
the war flee from the wrath to come.
—Lewiston Journal.Judging by so much of Senator Han-
son's speech in the Senate yesterday
as is strenuously reported in this
morning's Kennebec Journal, and by
the running reports given in the other
newspapers, one is forced to conclude
that the senator is as much opposed
to regulation and license as he is to
prohibition. What the Waterville
senator wants apparently, is free rum.
—Express & Advertiser.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either
of the Estates hereinafter named:At a Probate Court, held at Paris,
in and for the County of Oxford, on
the third Tuesday of March, in the
year of our Lord one thousand nine
hundred and twelve. The following
matter having been presented for the
action thereupon hereinafter indicated,
it is hereby ORDERED:That notice thereof be given to all
persons interested, by causing a copy
of this order to be published three
weeks successively in the Oxford Coun-
ty Citizen newspaper published at
Bethel, in said County, that they may
appear at a Probate Court to be held
at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of
April, A. D. 1912, at 9 o'clock of the
forenoon, and be heard thereon if
they see cause.Estate of Emily M. Brooks, first account
presented for allowance by Emily C.
Park, executor.Estate of Joseph E. Brooks late of Oxford,
deceased; first and private accounts
presented for allowance by Eliza C.
Park, administratrix de bono non.Estate of Mary Barker late of Bethel,
deceased; petition for license to sell
and convey real estate presented by
Harris W. Hood, administratrix.Estate of John H. Brooks, first account
presented for allowance by Eliza C.
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and convey real estate presented by
Harris W. Hood, administratrix.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice
that she has been duly appointed ad-
ministratrix of the estate of Elisha E.
Harrington late of Bethel in the Coun-
ty of Oxford, deceased, and given
bonds as the law directs. All persons
having demands against the estate of
said deceased are desired to present the
same for settlement, and all indebted
thereto are requested to make payment
immediately.H. H. HASTINGS,
March 19th, 1912,
3-28-12.

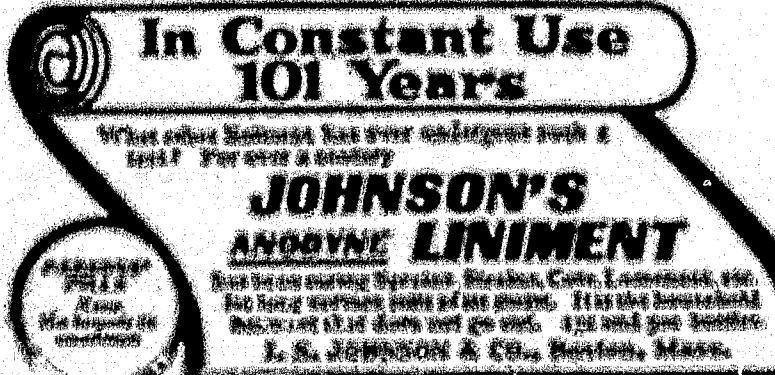
NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice
that she has been duly appointed ad-
ministratrix of the estate of Deborah
C. Lary late of Oxford in the County
of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds
as the law directs. All persons having
demands against the estate of said de-
ceased are desired to present the same
for settlement, and all indebted there-
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March 19, 1912,
3-28-12.Are You Going
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their homes by coughs and lung dis-
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by the standard has as superior. For
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ine exempt from
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RUMFORD.

On Wednesday the ladies of the Universalist Aid served a Lenten dinner at the store of E. W. Howe on Congress street.

Miss Myrtle Holman is ill at the Air-castle of pneumonia.

Miss Jennie Pratt left Saturday for Lewiston to spend a few days with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Varney were the guests of their sister, Miss Hattie Varney, Thursday and Friday.

Spaulding Blakes is expected home on Saturday from Boston University.

About six or eight inches of snow fell on Sunday, and made the sleighing excellent for the suburban dwellers.

R. E. Fisher formerly of Mexico, but at present teaching at Bryant Pond, was in town a few days the first of the week.

On Thursday afternoon of last week Mrs. Louis Dowling entertained the members of the Ladies' Aid at her home. The afternoon was spent in making patchwork. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake, pie and coffee were served.

Mrs. A. T. Craig is in town to pack up her goods to send to Waterville, the present home of Mr. and Mrs. Craig.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Pottle have completed their work here and left Tuesday morning to attend conference.

After conference they will go to their home in Waterville.

Mrs. Roy Latimer of Hamilton, Ohio, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Harris. On her return Mrs. Latimer will make her home in Saratoga, N. Y., as Mr. Latimer's business requires his presence in that place.

On Saturday afternoon the members of St. Margaret's Guild held a food sale in the store of Stanley Bisbee on the corner of Congress and Exchange streets. They served refreshments and realized fifteen dollars for their work.

Miss Alice and Martha Mixer arrived home from Mt. Holyoke College, Wednesday, to spend the Easter vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mixer.

Miss Norma Gates arrived home on Friday from Simmons College to spend the vacation recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Gates.

The Methodist conference will begin this week on Wednesday at Lewiston. Therefore there will be no services in the Methodist church next Sunday.

Miss Zephie Stephens left Wednesday for Boston and vicinity, where she will be the guest of friends for several weeks.

Mrs. Bartlett of East Bethel was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. P. Lyon for several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris of Lewiston are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harris for a short time.

Mrs. R. T. Parker is visiting her mother in Lynn, Mass., for several weeks.

Mrs. Everett Jocelyn of Portland was the guest of her parents, Hon. and Mrs. G. D. Bisbee over Sunday.

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Is unnecessary for those who keep well all the time. The best way to keep well is by proper diet, sufficient rest, enough exercise, and above all things by keeping the bowels regular. If you are unfortunate enough to be suffering from sick headaches, disordered liver, dyspepsia, or constipation, you can get quick relief by a change of diet, by reforming your habit of hasty eating, by regulating the amount of rest or exercise, and by depending on the True L. F. Atwood's Medicine to relieve you of other disturbing symptoms. You can insure your health against sickness at little expense by systematic use of this old and reliable household remedy. It has helped thousands and is a household remedy today in hundreds of homes. Large bottle, small dose, thirty-five cents at any dealer's. Sample free for the asking. "L. F." Medicine Co., Portland, Me.

On Saturday evening at the home of Lester Henry on Lincoln Ave., a party of young people from the Methodist church were entertained. One of the most interesting features of the evening was a talk by Mr. Waldo Pettengill on his trip through the Holy Lands. This was followed by a piano solo by Miss Lucille Bartlett and a song by Miss Joan Mott. Later, after a pleasant time had been spent in playing games, refreshments of chocolate, sandwiches, cake and olives were served and at the close of the evening the young people expressed themselves to Mr. Henry as having had a most delightful time.

On Friday evening the Cosmos Club had their usual meeting at Hotel Rumford and Dr. S. A. Andrews read a very interesting paper on "The Public Health."

The body of Mrs. Frank Clough of Lowell, Mass., formerly Miss Juliet Kimball of Rumford Center, was brought home Wednesday for burial.

Mrs. Clough died of pneumonia after having been sick about a week. She was a young woman, who had many friends in Rumford and her death will come as a great blow to them.

She leaves besides a husband, one sister, Miss Florence Kimball, of Boston; two brothers, Virgil Kimball, of Chicago, and George, of Rumford Center, with a mother, Mrs. Pearl Kimball, of Rumford Center. The funeral was held at one o'clock Thursday at Rumford Center.

Hon. Geo. D. Bisbee left Wednesday for Portland, where he will spend a few days on business.

On Friday night the Rebekahs will hold their annual winter party at their hall.

Chester Bisbee is convalescing after his recent operation and is able to be moved to his father's home on Franklin street.

Mr. W. H. Hardy has sold out his business and gone to Massachusetts. Mr. Hardy has bought the business and will continue to conduct it on the same plan.

On Friday evening of this week the Hpt. of Schools together with the

Faculty of the High School will tender a reception to the basketball team and to the speaking class that took part in the prize speaking, to show their appreciation of the excellent work done by both departments of these school activities.

Paul Landry is back from Canada, where he has been all winter.

Seven stores are now giving co-operative trading stamps, E. K. Day & Co., J. Marx, M. Marx, Gonyea Bros., Has. Israelson, Grace W. Mills & Co., and Jas. D. Clark Co.

E. C. Britton spent Sunday in Buckfield, on business, connected with the automobile business.

J. E. Stephens has already sold twelve of his eighty-six autos this season.

Miss Marie Lovejoy is unable to attend to her duties at the Rumford Ins. Agency on account of a sprained wrist, which she received while in the gymnasium.

The Searchlight Club will be entertained this week by Miss Elizabeth Pettengill.

E. L. Cowan returned the first of the week from a business trip to Boston.

CASUALTY COMPANY OF AMERICA, NEW YORK.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1911.

Mortgage Loans,	\$ 48,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	1,815,327.44
Cash in Office and Bank,	257,201.55
Agents' Balances,	646,778.32
Bills Receivable,	14,012.31
Interest and Rents,	23,632.21

Gross Assets,	\$3,801,952.52
Deduct items not admitted,	3,488.84

Admitted Assets,	\$3,801,952.52
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1911,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$469,931.93
Unearned Premiums,	1,793,465.71
All other Liabilities,	193,912.15
Cash Capital,	750,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	265,173.89

Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$3,801,952.52
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Mortgage Loans,	\$ 3,500.00
Stocks and Bonds,	435,640.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	67,120.72
Premiums Due,	21,911.17
Interest Accrued,	4,438.15
Office Furniture,	4,120.00

Gross Assets,	\$511,785.07
Deduct items not admitted,	

Admitted Assets,	\$511,785.07
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1911,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$ 9,741.10
Unearned Premiums,	180,481.32
All other Liabilities,	7,793.98
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$314,090.67

Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$511,785.07
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HARRY M. STONE, Agent, East Oxford, Maine.

BOSTON INSURANCE COMPANY 157 Milk Street, Boston, Mass.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1911.

Real Estate,	\$ 310,000.00
Mortgage Loans,	510,000.00
Collateral Loans,	56,100.00
Stocks and Bonds,	4,914,119.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	567,320.00
Agents' Balances,	50,232.00
Bills Receivable,	62,311.00
Interest and Rents,	10,334.00
All other Assets,	1,082.00

Gross Assets,	\$6,541,000.00
Deduct items not admitted,	4,000.00

Admitted Assets,	\$6,541,000.00
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1911,	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$102,214.00
Unearned Premiums,	2,112,214.00
All other Liabilities,	13,100.00
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	3,410,000.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$6,541,000.00
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3-28-11.

ANDOVER.

Abel Metcalf came Friday from Richardson Pond, where he has been lumbering for the Thurston Bros.

Daniel Campbell is living at his home on Main street. Mr. Campbell has a crew of men sawing wood for people. Mrs. Campbell is still quite ill at Upton.

Mrs. Nora Merrill and son, Erlon, were guests Saturday of B. L. Akers and wife.

Miss Evelyn Smith was quite ill with a severe cold last week.

The Bryant's Pond basketball team played a game with the Andover team here Saturday night resulting in a score of 30 to 31 in favor of Andover. A few dances were enjoyed afterwards.

Mrs. Walter Hanson is in Rumford this week.

Lucien Akers was at Rumford Point, Wednesday.

M. L. and Y. A. Thurston are at Richardson Pond this week.

James Robertson and Dick Marston, who have been working for Edward Johnson at the Lakes, returned to Andover, Saturday.

Nathan Campbell has sold his farm to his brother, Nelson, and with his family left town Tuesday for Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bacon and family and their father, Elbridge Campbell, accompanied them.

Mrs. Edward Johnson entertained the ladies' circle last week, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Littlejohn are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, March 15.

Alfred Andrews, Romanus Treatwell and Elizabeth (Lachman) returned from Hebrew Academy last week for their vacation.

Henry Howard and Harrison Amber are at home from Kent's Hill.

The High School closed Friday for a short vacation. Mr. Peleg Sprague, the Principal, returned to his home in Bethel.

Mrs. Geo. Hotchkiss is very ill at her home on Main street.

Leona Abbott was in Rumford, Tuesday, on business.

Lester Akers sold a fine colt recently to William Gregg.

B. L. Akers has sold his farm to Y. A. Thurston, and has purchased the home on Main street of Mrs. M. D. Goff.

Mrs. Roscoe Glines of North Ham visited at Mrs. Emma McConney's, Saturday.

Mrs. N. D. Akers and daughter, Margie, and family from Rumford are visiting friends in town this week.

Frank North is in Portland and Lewiston this week.

Sam Mountain Grange met Saturday for its regular meeting with a good number present. The following program was carried out: music, Grange; Reading, Mrs. Vard Perkins; Dialogue, Mrs. P. E. Hoyt; Mrs. Ella Abbott; Devotion, Grange. The first and second degrees were conferred on seven candidates.

Mrs. Evelyn Elliot is quite ill of a cold fever.

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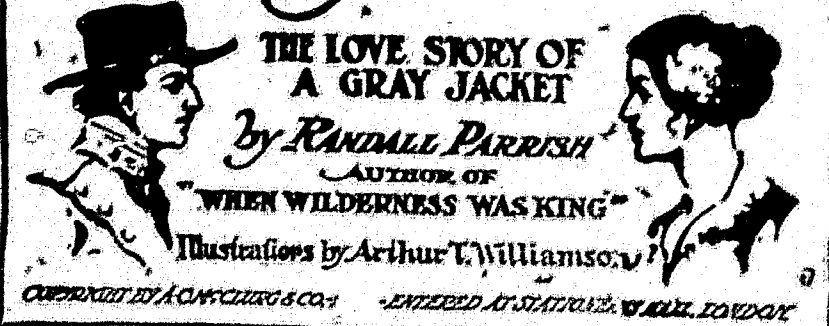
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My Lady of the North



SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—The story opens in a tent of the Confederate army at a critical stage of the Civil War. Gen. Lee imparts to Captain Wayne, a secret message to Longstreet, upon the delivery of which depend great issues. Accompanied by Sergeant Crisp, an old army scout, Wayne starts out on his dangerous mission.

CHAPTER II.—The two messengers make a wild ride, dodging squads of soldiers, almost lose their bearings and finally are within the lines of the enemy, having penetrated the cordon of pickets un molested.

CHAPTER III.—Encountering a small party of soldiers in the darkness, Wayne is taken for a federal officer who came to keep an appointment, is accepted as his representative, and a young lady on horseback is given in his charge.

CHAPTER IV.—The female companion of the two southern scouts is a northern girl, who when she becomes aware of their army affiliations, accuses Wayne with her riding whip and attempts to escape but fails.

CHAPTER V.—One of the horses giving out, Wayne orders Crisp to get through with the dispatches to Longstreet. He and his Lady of the North are left alone near a rocky gorge.

CHAPTER VI.—The Confederate officer and the Union girl thread the maze of the woods. He discovers a lonely hut, and entering it in the dark a huge man attacks him. The girl shoots the brute just in time.

CHAPTER VII.—The owner of the hut, one John Burns, and he and his wife give the captain a welcome. But a party of soldiers are observed coming down the road.

CHAPTER VIII.—They are led by a man claiming to be Lord Lewis, who orders him to give them food, and her husband to not as a guide. The woman discovers the man to be a disguised Union soldier and the intruder and there is a general melee.

CHAPTER IX.—The disguised leader proves to be Major Brennan, a Federal officer, whom the Union girl recognizes. He orders the arrest of Wayne as a spy. The girl protests and says she will appeal to General Sheridan.

CHAPTER X.—Wayne held prisoner in a house, sees files of Confederates pass by and distance and knows that Crisp has delivered the message.

CHAPTER XI.—The captive is brought before General Sheridan who refuses to set him free unless he reveals the secret message.

CHAPTER XII.—Captain Wayne is led to understand that the woman he admires is Edith Brennan, wife of the Federal officer. He is given the choice of revealing the Lee message or of being shot as a spy.

CHAPTER XIII.—Wayne is rescued from his prison by Joe Burney. One of them must get a quick report through the lines to General Lee and Jed starts on the mission.

CHAPTER XIV.—Finding the war of an absent officer of the Union artillery, Wayne penetrates to the ballroom, where a social army function is in progress, and pretends to be Col. Curran of Ohio.

CHAPTER XV.

At the Staff Officers' Ball.

The young officer glared up lastly at sound of approaching footsteps, and rose to his feet to permit of my passage. He wore the full dress uniform of an artilleryman, and his evident surprise at my presence made me realize the necessity of addressing him.

"Lieutenant," I asked courteously, reading one name easily upon the balustrade, "could you inform me if General Sheridan and those members of the staff who accompanied him down the lines this afternoon have yet returned?"

"They have not, sir."

"Ah, I was in hopes they might have arrived by this time."

I bowed, and then, and passed slowly down the wide stairway, several couples rising as I drew near to permit of my passage. The lower hall was very comfortably filled with figures moving here and there in converse, or occupying seats pressed close against the walls. The greater portion were attired in uniforms of the various branches of service, yet I observed not a trillian suit, and a considerable number of women, some wearing the neat dress of the army nurse, others much more elaborately attired—daughters of the neighborhood, probably, with a sprinkling of wives and sisters of the soldiers.

Quarrels, leaning upon their mantels, stood in staid groups upon either side of the main entrance, while the wide stairway, draped with flags, opening into the ballroom, revealed an inspiring glimpse of swiftly revolving figures in gay uniforms and flashing skirts. Over all floated the low, swinging music of the band.

A fat, good-natured-looking man of forty, an infantry major, but wearing staff decorations, and evidently of standing in the capacity of floorman, after whispering a word in the ear of another of the same kind beside the ballroom door, hastily pushed his way through the laughing throng directly toward me.

"Good-evening, Colonel," he said, bowing deeply. "Your face is not familiar to me, but you will pardon me to introduce myself—Major Monahan, of General Sheridan's staff."

I accepted the fat, abundant hand he extended, and pressed it warmly.

"I was just meditating a retreat, Major, when you appeared," I replied frankly. "For I fear my face is equally unknown to all others present. In

deed, I feel like a cat in a strange garret, and hesitated to appear at all. My only excuse for doing so was a promise made Colonel Culbertson previous to his being ordered out on duty. I am Colonel Curran, of the Sixth Ohio, but at present serving on the staff of General Halleck at Washington."

The Major's round, red face glowed with welcome.

"Extremely pleased to meet you, in deed," he exclaimed eagerly, "and you may be sure of a cordial greeting. Will you kindly step this way?"

As we slowly elbowed our way forward, all desire to escape from the ordeal fled, and I assumed the risks of the masquerade with the reckless audacity of my years. Before we reached the ballroom my conductor, his fat countenance fairly beaming with cordiality, had stopped at least twenty times to present me to various military titles, and I had accepted innumerable invitations without in the least knowing who gave them, or where they were to be fulfilled. Finally, however, we broke through the massed ring, and succeeded in reaching the tall individual in spectacles to whom the Major had spoken previous to seeking me, and I learned through the introduction which followed that I was in the presence of Brigadier-General Carlton, chief of staff.

For a moment, as I responded to the hearty cordiality of his welcome, I was enabled to take my first glance at the ballroom, and found it to my unaccustomed soldier eyes an inspiring spectacle. The room was magnificently large—a surprising apartment, indeed, even in so superb a Southern home as this had evidently been, and its proportions were magnified by numerous mirrors extending from floor to ceiling, causing the more distant dancers to appear circling in space. Brilliantly illumined by means of hanging chandeliers that oscillated slightly to the merry feet; decorated lavishly everywhere with festooned flags and tastefully arranged monuments of war; gay with the dress uniforms of the men and the handsome gowns of the women, it composed a scene so different from any I had looked upon in years as to hold me fascinated. The constant clatter of tongues, the merry laughter, the flashing of bright eyes, and the gleam of snowy shoulders, the good-natured repartees caught as the various couples glide swiftly past, the quick, musical circling of flying feet over the waxen floor, the continuous whirl of the intoxicating waltz, and over all the inspiring strains of Strauss, caused my heart to bound, and brought with it an insane desire to participate.

Yet gazing, entranced, upon the animated scene; and feeling deeply the intoxication of the moment, my eyes were eagerly searching that happy throng for sight of one fair woman's face. Strange as it must seem to others, in spite of the fact that to meet her might mean betrayal and death, I might even result in the destruction of an army—in my weakness I secretly longed for just such a happening; felt, indeed, that I must again see her, have speech with her, before I went forth alone into the manifold dangers of the night. It was foolhardiness—insanity in very truth—yet such was the secret yearning of my heart. If I could only once know from her own truthful lips, that

"I am not in the least tired."

"Oh, I am not in the least tired," she was looking at me with so deep an expression of interest in her eyes that I dimly wondered at it.

"Did I understand rightly," she asked, playing idly with her fan, "that Major Monahan introduced you to me as Colonel Curran of General Halleck's staff?"

What the dance am I up against now? I thought, and my heart beat quickly. Yet retreat was impossible and I answered with assumed carelessness:

"I am, most assuredly, Colonel Curran."

"From Ohio?"

This was certainly coming after me with a vengeance, and I stole one quick glance at the girl's face. It was devoid of suspicion, merely evincing a polite interest.

"I have the honor of commanding the Sixth Artillery Regiment from this State."

"You must pardon me, Colonel, for my seeming inquisitiveness," and her eyes sparkled with delicate mischief. "Yet I cannot quite understand. I was at school in Connecticut with a Miss Curran whose father was an officer of artillery from Ohio, and, naturally, I at once thought of her when the Major pronounced your name; yet it certainly cannot be you—you are altogether too young for Myrtle's eyesight."

I laughed, decidedly self-reliant from what I feared might prove a most awkward situation.

"Well, yes, Miss Minor, I am indeed somewhat youthful to be Myrtle's father," I said at a venture, "but I might serve as her brother, you know, and not stretch the point of age overmuch."

She clasped her hands on my arm with a gesture of delight.

"Oh, I am so glad! I knew Myrtle had a brother, but never knew he also was in the army. Did you know, Colonel, she was intending to come down here with me when I returned South, at the close of our school year, but from some cause was disappointed. How delighted she would have been to meet you! I shall certainly write and tell her what a

splendidly romantic time we had together. You look so much like Myrtle I wonder I failed to recognize you at once."

She was rattling on without affording me the slightest opportunity to slip in a word explanatory, when her glance chanced to fall upon some one who was approaching us through the throng.

"Oh, by the way, Colonel, there is another of Myrtle's old schoolmates present tonight—a most intimate friend, indeed, who would never forgive me if I permitted you to go without meeting her."

She drew me back hastily.

"Edith," she said, touching the sleeve of a young woman who was slowly passing. "Edith, wait just a moment, dear; this is Colonel Curran—Myrtle Curran's brother, you know, Colonel Curran, Mrs. Brennan."

"To be continued."

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Mortgage Loans, 3,500.00

Stocks and Bonds, 3,115,095.78

Cash in Office and Bank, 144,926.90

Agents' Balances, 400,451.93

Interest and Rents, 30,000.00

All other Assets, 6,941.75

Gross Assets, \$4,829,919.94

Deduct Items not admitted, 11,736.80

Admitted Assets, \$4,818,183.05

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1911.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 254,547.80

Unearned Premiums, 2,275,238.23

All other Liabilities, 105,635.08

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,182,411.88

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$4,818,183.05

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Bonds, \$554,345.21

Cash in Office and Banks, 102,892.92

Agents' Balances, 17,319.18

Interest and Rents, 7,736.99

All other Assets, 13,109.96

Gross Assets, \$695,394.26

Deduct Items not admitted, 19,738.20

Admitted Assets, \$675,656.06

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1911.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 7,260.73

Unearned Premiums, 188,942.48

All other Liabilities, 4,469.93

Surplus over all Liabilities, 471,987.92

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$675,656.06

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1911.

Real Estate, \$3,166,047.91

Mortgage Loans, 105,550.00

Stocks and Bonds, 4,070,922.10

Cash in Office and Bank, 867,775.28

Unearned Premiums, 458,517.93

Interest and Rents, 45,012.65

Gross Assets, \$8,602,855.27

Deduct Items not admitted, 419,923.41

Admitted Assets, \$8,182,931.86

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1911.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 728,562.54

Unearned Premiums, 1,454,637.51

All other Liabilities, 185,223.51

Cash Capital, 2,500,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 3,674,505.47

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$8,182,931.86

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Cash in Office and Bank, 374,107.73

Agents' Balances, 99,570.83

Bills Receivable, 7,350.00

Interest and Rents, 49,669.94

All other Assets, 1,449,769.51

Gross Assets, \$10,531,599.54

Deduct Items not admitted, 339,238.06

Admitted Assets, \$10,192,361.48

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1911.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$2,312,263.31

Unearned Premiums, 4,842,674.43

All other Liabilities, 701,580.80

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,925,456.93

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$10,482,624.48

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1911.

Real Estate, \$1,000,000.00

Mortgage Loans, 52,473.09

Stocks and Bonds, 311,521.10

CANTON.

At Canton Grange, Saturday, the subject for discussion was "Orcharding," which was ably discussed in all the phases. W. H. Conant of Buckfield, an extensive fruit grower, was the principal speaker of the day and he gave much valuable information, his talk being listened to with interest by a good number of orchardists. The next meeting will be observed as "Patience's Day," and Norland Grange will be guests.

The Ladies of Penman's Robekah Lodge gave a gentlemen's night Wednesday evening which was a pleasant and social event. The entertainment and decorations were in honor of St. Patrick's day. The society hall was decorated with green and the dining hall in green crepe paper and large shamrocks. The tables were daintily white and green with little shamrock favors. The decorations in the Opera hall were pink and green pennants. The entertainment consisted of selections by the band, vocal solos by Mrs. E. E. Westgate, Mrs. T. E. Giddings and Mrs. G. L. Wadlow, with guitar accompaniment by Mrs. Spaulding, vocal solo by M. Louise Staples with Mrs. S. H. Ellis, piano accompaniment, and readings by Mrs. I. W. Smith, Mrs. R. E. McCallister and Mrs. W. A. Lucas. A fine banquet was served at which time toasts were enjoyed. The printed programs with little pipes tied on them with green ribbon were unique, while the dance orders were painted in water colors, a spray of shamrocks adorning the cover. After the banquet dancing was enjoyed in the Opera House, music being furnished by the band club and piano music. Lemonsade was served during the dance from an attractive table decorated with shamrocks.

ALBANY—VALLEY ROAD.

Mrs. E. H. Bartlett and little son, Lawrence, of Bethel, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sloan last week.

There was a good crowd and a good time at the circle at Hunt's Corner last Thursday evening. The young people will entertain the next circle at the same place, April 4th.

There will be a dance at the Town House, March 28th.

Mrs. Lemba Hard, one of our smart "old ladies" is rather poorly.

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